

20,000 Led in Prayer By Cardinal Spellman At Arlington Service

Francis Cardinal Spellman and 20,000 Washingtonians knelt in the rain at Arlington National Cemetery Amphitheater yesterday and prayed humbly for the Nation's war dead.

As the cardinal spoke, the leaden skies and occasional wind-swept showers gave the throng poignant reminder of the misery which American soldiers experienced during the war.

Among the multitude which assembled for the Eighth Annual Memorial Field Mass for the Dead were Veterans' Administrator Bradley, high-ranking service officers, members of the Senate, House and diplomatic corps, relatives of servicemen and the bereaved of the dead.

Pre-Memorial Day Service. Cardinal Spellman was the first prince of the Roman Catholic Church ever to speak in the Arlington Amphitheater. Speaking at the pre-Memorial Day services sponsored each year by the Washington General Assembly, Fourth Degree, Knights of Columbus, the prelate said:

"The world's greatest experiment in self-government will survive despite changing tides of political policies, domestic differences, international difficulties and international divergencies.

"The simple granite block above the Unknown Soldier's grave betrays the will of America never to betray the precious blood and priceless sacrifices of the world's first soldier, unknown to many, who became its Saviour, Jesus Christ. We give thanks for America's heritage of freedom, justice and unity, God-given glories saved for us, the living, by our valiant dead. It is forever our duty and our honor to protect this heritage with dedication and devotion even to the very sacrifice of our own lives.

"United we must stand against the savageries, blind furies, deceptions and infidelities of forces who seek to impair, undermine and destroy the soul of America."

Wriths Blessed. In addition to the Knights of Columbus, who wore badrics and swords, representatives of 90 organizations placed wreaths on the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier after Cardinal Spellman blessed the floral tributes. The ceremony followed celebration of pontifical high mass with the Most Rev. Peter L. Ireton, Bishop of Richmond, presiding. The Most Rev. William R. Arnold, bishop delegate and former Army chief of chaplains, pontificated. Dr. James A. Mager, procurator of the University, was deacon, while Lt. Col. William J. Walsh, Chaplain Corps, U. S. A., was subdeacon. The master of ceremonies was the Rev. Walter J. Schmitz, S. S. The choir of 45 voices from the Sulpician College of St. Charles, University, sang the responses to the mass.

Stassen Urges Caution On Labor Legislation

By the Associated Press
ST. PAUL, Minn., May 27.—Harold E. Stassen, former Governor of Minnesota, telegraphed Senator Wheeler, Democrat, of Montana yesterday asking that he be given an opportunity to testify on President Truman's special labor bill, which he described as "totalitarian in its nature."

"Pending that testimony," he said in his telegram, "I respectfully submit that the special legislation submitted to the Congress by the President on May 25 goes too far.

"It grants powers more extreme than ever before granted to the Government of the United States in either time of war or peace. It includes the compulsory power to fix wages without the consent of management or labor, to confiscate profits and to force involuntary servitude of labor. It would permit Government to break and destroy any management and business. It would permit Government to break and destroy any union.

"It is fundamentally contrary to our free way of life as to both management and labor. It is not a question of whether or not we believe that any particular administration will abuse its powers. It is a fundamental vital concept that Government should never be given such unreasonable or excessive powers over an individual citizen, or over his business or property, without due process."

Employers' Bias Growing, FEPC Member Declares

Racial discrimination has reached dangerous proportions and is growing, Eugene Davidson of the President's Committee on Fair Employment Practice, last night warned in a radio broadcast.

Praising the wartime role of the FEPC, Mr. Davidson charged that without the restraints of the committee, "reaction and bigotry has flourished." Moves to adopt legislation for a permanent peacetime FEPC have been blocked, he said, "by some who wanted reconversion to discrimination and the normalcy of prejudice-as-usual."

Mr. Davidson said that during the last months of the committee, employers were specifying in their job orders "white only." Many, including returned servicemen, have been refused work with such explanations as "we don't hire Negroes or Jews, and we want only Christians whose grandfathers were born in America," Mr. Davidson charged.

The talk was heard over the program, "Americans All," sponsored weekly over Station WDCD by the Institute on Race Relations.



PRELATE BLESSES WREATHS FOR UNKNOWN SOLDIER—Flanked by an attendant, the Most Rev. Peter L. Ireton, Bishop of Richmond (far right), bestows his blessing on wreaths placed by more than 90 national and Washington Catholic societies on the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier yesterday. The ceremony, which followed the eighth annual field mass for the Nation's war dead, was performed in the rain.

Civil Service Official Recommends NLRB Reinstate Douds

The Civil Service Commission has recommended to the National Labor Relations Board that it reinstate Charles T. Douds, wartime head of the NLRB's second regional office in New York. Mr. Douds was discharged in February, 1945, on charges of incompetency.

The recommendation was based on six weeks of hearings held last October before James W. Irwin, chief examiner of the commission, who heard 43 witnesses.

Mr. Douds was twice asked to resign before he was discharged. He refused to leave voluntarily, asserting that he was not going to yield to so-called left-wing elements in his office.

The recommendation, signed by Alfred Klein, chief law officer of the commission, said that an aggressive campaign to undermine Mr. Douds existed in his office and that propaganda against him was disseminated in the office. Mr. Klein's report said that there was no evidence to prove that Mr. Douds was unfit to hold his job.

Dissatisfaction in Office Cited. "There was dissatisfaction in Mr. Douds' office before he arrived, and bad morale that offered fertile soil for discord," Mr. Klein's recommendation read. "The fault was not his and the primary responsibility lay elsewhere." Mr. Douds joined the office in October, 1942.

Although the NLRB is not bound to accept the commission's recommendation, it is expected that it will either reinstate Mr. Douds or appeal the decision to the commission's Board of Appeals and Review.

Mr. Douds, after his dismissal, became chief consultant in the labor and manpower division of the Foreign Economic Administration, remaining there until the agency ended its work in March. It is reported that if the NLRB offers him his old job, he will take it.

Ouster Created Storm. Mr. Douds' ouster created a storm in labor circles and Philip Murray, head of the Congress of Industrial Organizations, and William Green, president of the American Federation of Labor, joined in protesting the action of the NLRB. The board itself was split over the charges, one of its three members opposing the ouster. Removal proceedings were started by Harry A. Mills, who then was chairman of the NLRB, and was presumably supported by John M. Houston, another member of the board. The third member, Gerald D. Reilly, opposed the action.

As announced at the time by Mr. Mills, who has since resigned and been replaced by Paul Herzog, the proceedings against Mr. Douds were instituted "to promote the efficiency

of the service" and on grounds of a "lack of fitness and capacity to supervise and direct the work of the staff of that office."

Mr. Mills' action was opposed by Mr. Reilly who asserted that "the record of the New York office is one of the best in the country."

CIO and AFL officials, in opposing the ouster of Mr. Douds, charged that "Communist forces," some of them in the NLRB, were behind the effort to force him out.

House Member Asks GI Baby Deaths Probe

By the Associated Press
NEW YORK, May 27.—As the number of GI babies to die in the past week rose to nine, a member of the House called on the War Department today for "full information" on conditions aboard the bridge ships where the infants became ill.

In Washington, Representative Jackson, Democrat, of Washington said he would ask the department about the deaths, and "if I am not satisfied, I will ask the House Military Affairs Committee to call War Department officials before it and make a complete investigation."

He said he had been asked by Clarence Lervick, father of one of the infants who died, for an investigation into responsibility for the deaths.

Latest fatalities were 2-month-

old Alvin Harris, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alvin H. Harris, Fulton, N. Y., and 10-month-old Vinita Carter, daughter of Capt. and Mrs. H. S. Carter, Wallington, Tex.

The Harris boy died in a hospital in Fulton Saturday and the Carter girl in Fort Hamilton Station Hospital, Brooklyn, last night.

An Army medical board diagnosed the illness of four of the victims at Fort Hamilton hospital as "summer diarrhea."

Meanwhile, eight other babies were admitted to the Fort Hamilton hospital yesterday as "a precautionary measure" suffering from what Army authorities said was "mild malnutrition." They arrived aboard the George Goethals.

Mr. Arthur's Chief of Staff To Visit D. C. on Leave

Maj. Gen. Paul J. Mueller, newly appointed chief of staff to Gen. MacArthur for the Allied Occupation Headquarters at Tokyo and U. S. Army Forces of the Pacific, will arrive in Washington this week for 25 days of temporary duty and leave. His wife lives at 5038 Lowell street N.W.

En route now from Tokyo, the general will fly here from Hamilton Field, Calif. During the war he commanded the 81st Division, which saw action in the Caroline Islands and on Leyte, and was on occupation duty in Japan when it was deactivated last January.

D.C. Navy Reserve Officers Will Meet Tomorrow Night Mrs. Bonnylin C. Jones, Law-Book Attorney, Dies

The Washington Chapter of the Reserve Officers of the Naval Service will hold its second meeting since organization at 8 p.m. tomorrow in the United States Chamber of Commerce Auditorium, A. Murray Preston, temporary chairman of the group, announced today.

Mr. Preston said all reserve officers, men and women of the Naval, Marine and Coast Guard Reserves, including nurses in the Potomac River Naval Command have been asked to attend.

The chapter, which recently received a charter from its national body, has about 80 members. Permanent officers and committees will not be named until the membership becomes larger and more representative.

Man Held in Cab Driver's Death to Appear at Inquest

Elmer John Sweeney, 39, of the 1200 block of C street N.E., was to appear at a coroner's inquest today in connection with the death of John R. English of R. F. D. No. 2, Fairfax County, a taxicab driver who died in Emergency Hospital Saturday after a fight on May 16 with Mr. Sweeney.

Mr. Sweeney, who was being held for action of the coroner, was released on \$1,000 bond.

According to police, the altercation on May 16 began after Mr. Sweeney was almost run down by Mr. English's cab at Twelfth and L streets N.W.

Funeral services for Mrs. Bonnylin C. Jones, 59, authority on legal bibliographies, who died Saturday at her home, 2039 New Hampshire avenue N.W., will be held at 3 p.m. Wednesday at the Hines funeral home, 2901 Fourteenth street N.W. Burial will be in Fort Lincoln Cemetery.

Mrs. Jones was treasurer of the National Law Book Co. here, which she and her husband, Evan Jones, founded in 1932. Mr. Jones is president of the company. Mrs. Jones specialized in Government publications. She was often consulted by local lawyers.

A native of Anderson, Ind., Mrs. Jones was graduated in 1926 from the Washington College of Law. She was active in civic affairs and served on the Board of Directors of the Third Church of Christ Scientist.

Besides her husband, she is survived by a sister, Mrs. Dorothy Wade of Washington; her mother, Mrs. Nora Cooley, and two brothers, David M. and R. P. Cooley, all of Elwood, Ind.

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- An increase in the reenlistment bonus to \$50 for each year of active service since such bonus was last paid, or since last entry into service, provided reenlistment is within 90 days after last honorable discharge.
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